



... That's the second one
this morning



...Is it serious?



I think it was a
car accident.



There were two of them...
one died on the way here



The surviving one probably has fractures all over his body...

We don't have even have a basic x-ray so we can't diagnose him. I don't even know if his organs are injured...

How about getting some help from Jake...



No...

We have to hold a meeting after checking his condition but there's a high chance of death...

Even if we keep him alive, after twenty days...





To tell you the truth...
I'm glad Jake hasn't been
visiting us these days.

Why?



He helped us a lot.

All the animals that
recovered thanks to Jake...
the animals that found new
families thanks to him...
He's saved a lot of lives.



We desperately need
Jake's help but...

I don't want to burden Jake.

If Jake has rescued dozens of lives...



The number of animals he's had to euthanize is in the hundreds.





HEART OF A COMPANION

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Jake contacted me a few days ago

He said he was going to sell the clinic.



And that he would sell all his action figures.

Said he didn't collect them for this but he's glad he could use them now to help...



what are you doing?
long story...



Our funding is slowly dwindling so it's becoming difficult to maintain our facilities and the situation is growing worse.

Jake—

said he would end things there and come back here...





If we want to rescue one more life...

We have to connect them to several adoption centers with our own money.

There's a limit to the amount of animals we can keep so we only have twenty days, but...

The adoption centers that we're connected to have less time restraints.



Do you know?

How much it costs to save a dog's life for one more day?



Five dollars.



That's the price for a cup of coffee.

That's all. But... the number of animals being abandoned is unthinkable.



I am aware that there are a lot of contradictions in what I say and a lot of backlash.



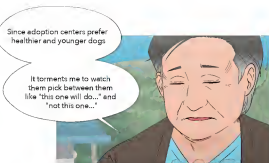
It's common for people to respond that...

Children in poorer nations are surviving on less than that amount...



But this is a fundamentally different issue.





In a shelter, we don't know where the dog's from or their name.



So we give them a number.
Like a prisoner. Those poor things...

But Jake called them
by their names.

Of course some names
overlapped but he would try
to create unique names so they
would know when they were
being called.



Jake is a different person
when he's interacting with
animals.

It's amazing sometimes.



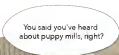


...He said he's expecting to get enough money from selling his clinic and figures that we don't have to worry about funding for a while.



He knows it's like shovelling sand against the tide..

But Jake is relentless in wanting to rescue them.



You said you've heard about puppy mills, right?



Although it's not completely wrong to think this but...

...A lot of people think that our nation's pet problem originates there.



So what if we imposed sanctions on puppy mills to get rid of them all?





The same thing would happen
but would manifest itself in
a different way,

Because pets mean money.

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To get out of this
disaster we're in...

We have to focus on
the root cause of this issue



People have to change the way they think.



Do you know why?

It's because of the difference
in the way people think.



They call shelters "Tierheim"...

With adoption rates above 90%.



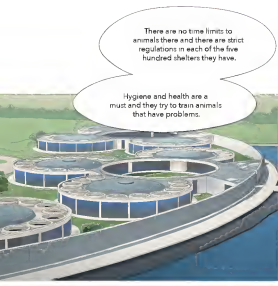
Of course Germany
inevitably has animals that are
abandoned too.

But they don't ignore this
issue or isolate it like we do
in our country.



There are no time limits to
animals there and there are strict
regulations in each of the five
hundred shelters they have.

Hygiene and health are a
must and they try to train animals
that have problems.



And they have animal protection laws that are recognized globally for their ability to protect animals.

Animal protection laws?

Annually, it costs four million euros to maintain one tierheim facility.

And there are five hundred of them... it's quite an unimaginable amount, right?

Yes...



What's more amazing is that German shelters, like our country, are nonprofits.

Their funds primarily come out of donations. And there's support from the government too.

The reason why euthanization rates are 0%...



is a combination of the government's strong animal protection laws and nation's awareness about animals.

Here, we have to get rid of the belief that...



"Abandoned animals were abandoned for a reason."

They aren't abandoned
because they did anything wrong.



Jake said this a long time ago.



Whether you raise a
pet or not...

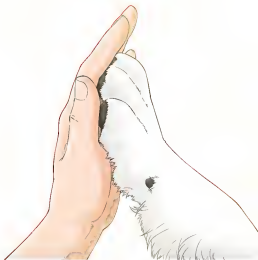
I hope everyone
hears this one day.



*** The greatness of a nation...**



**can be judged by the way
its animals are treated.**



TO BE CONTINUED



*Mahatma Gandhi